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■ U-LINKS STUDY

Poverty touches every aspect of life

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

It's a common mantra: good health comes from a balanced diet, regular exercise, and adequate sleep.

But there is much more to that formula – where you live, how much money you make, whether you can find housing, and how educated you are can affect how healthy you and your children end up being.

A class of Trent University students came to Haliburton's Fleming College campus last week to listen to four local health-care and social-services workers talk about the specific pressures this county faces when it comes to maintaining good health.

Family health team director, Beth Archibald, began by describing someone with no hydro, water, toilet, no lock on the door, no food, who is isolated and marginalized to the group of university students.

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CHAD INGRAM/ECHO



Dysart et al's fire department had to use its boat to rescue two men from the top of their Jeep after the vehicle became airborne and dove into Barnum Lake near Kashagawigamog Road last Tuesday night. The driver and passenger were able to get themselves out of the Jeep on their own and then climb into the rescue boat.

■ WATER RESCUE

Jeep plunges into Barnum Lake

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Members of the Dysart fire department, Haliburton Highlands OPP and county EMS crews were called to the intersection of Kashagawigamog and Gelert roads, just south of Haliburton Village, at approxi-

mately 5:30 p.m. on October 20 after a vehicle plunged into Barnum Lake.

Two men were inside the late-model Jeep Cherokee when crews arrived. The men were able to climb their way onto the vehicle's roof and were rescued from the water by members of the fire department.

The Jeep flew into the wa-

ter after it "failed to negotiate the curve and stop sign" on Kashagawigamog Road, the fire department said.

Sue Little was on her way home from work at the time and saw the crash unfold.

"They just came bouncing through the grass," she said, signalling to the ditch along Kashagawigamog Road. "They

were airborne, bounced on the highway and then just flew into the lake."

Little said she was unable to guess how quickly the Jeep had been moving, but said it was fast.

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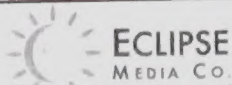
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RABIES CLINIC

A shot for Spot

Dozens of the county's dog owners brought their furry friends to the Dysart fire hall for an annual rabies vaccine clinic. The clinic was put on by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit in association with the Quinte District Veterinary Association.



Vet Laurie Brown gives a sad-looking Wolfgang his annual vaccination.



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October 29, 2009

Flu lingo

The following is a Flu Primer courtesy of The Canadian Press Health Editor Anne Egan.

Flu lingo

H1N1, a family of influenza A viruses, which includes the common cold flu virus as well as the 1918 flu virus that caused the Spanish flu of 1918.

Flu season 2009/2010 also known as swine flu, is a respiratory illness caused by the pandemic H1N1 virus. It is a clear which is spread circulating in humans. It is not clear whether it is spread in humans and the United States in April of 2009.

Vaccine: Because the vaccine does not protect the immune system and provide an immune response at the body.

Adjuvanted: Compounds that boost the immune system's response to vaccine, allowing smaller doses to be used per person.

Unadjuvanted vaccine: Vaccine without boosting adjuvants. 1.5 million doses of unadjuvanted vaccine will be available in Canada for program service and children under 18.

Antiviral: Drugs that can be used in 48 hours after onset of the symptoms to lessen severity and duration of illness in severe flu. In cases where people are hospitalized with severe flu, the drugs will give patients relief after the 48-hour window. These drugs are also sometimes taken as a prophylactic to prevent the flu virus from spreading.

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The Rotary exchange team from Delhi, India, visit the Kosy Korner Restaurant Thursday upon arriving in Haliburton. From left, Biswa Dash, Sammerjit Raikhy, Ajay Narain and Meghna Virk. /Jenn Watt photo.

CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Warm hearts, ice cold water

Rotary group from India shares their impressions of Canada

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

The Rotary exchange team from India had a lot of good to say about their trip to Canada over a thoroughly Canadian lunch at the Kosy Korner Thursday afternoon.

"People are very, very warm-hearted here," team leader Ajay Narain said over a BLT sandwich.

But despite our warm hearts, the team was "amazed that in such a cold country you drink your water with ice," said team member Sammerjit Raikhy.

The team of four arrived in Canada on September 30 and will stay until the day before Halloween, traveling daily around Rotary District 7010, which stretches north to North Bay and south to Peterborough, west to Collingwood and east to Bancroft.

They spent three days in the Haliburton area, learning what they could about how their professions are practiced here, but mostly observing Canadian culture.

Surprisingly, food was not one of the biggest differences between here and Delhi, where the team came from.

"Food is not that different. I'm not finding anything Canadian about your food except that you're eating it in Canada," Narain said.

The four team members come from the middle upper class of Indian society – and have been thoroughly exposed to Western cuisine before arriving here.

Water quality was a big change for the group, who all swear against drinking directly from the tap. Raikhy, whose occupation is in golf management, said that water scarcity can also be a challenge in his line of work, although many cities consider golf courses green space, which is highly desirable in the densely populated country.

They also mentioned that our sense of security is higher than in Delhi. Often families hosting the group would leave their houses opened and unlocked.

Team members laughed that even if humans weren't stealing from their homes in Delhi, monkeys would be. Much like our raccoons, monkeys are a scourge on the city, breaking in and stealing food when homeowners leave a window or door open.

On their tour of the region, team member and yoga instructor Meghna Virk was inspired by uses of yoga to help those deal with stress and pain in their mental lives – "it opened a whole new avenue in my mind," she said.

"It's a cultural exchange for me," said the fourth team member, Biswa Dash, a gynecological laparoscopic surgeon.

Dash had the chance to visit many hospitals on his trip and said the Canadian health care system is much better than the Indian one in its screening programs for illness.

But even in his short time here he picked up on our lack of doctors.

In Delhi, he said there would be more than 100 cancer surgeons just in one city.

In Canada, there are half that many, spread sparsely among the population. He said every town has doctors with surgical skills in India, making our system of transporting patients long distances seem impractical.

Aside from the professional exchange, all the team members agreed that Canadians were warm, inviting people who seemed eager to learn from foreigners.

"Canadians listen to you and like to take the best of your culture and make it part of their daily lives," Raikhy said.

"Everyone loves hugging each other," Virk said, "you're a very warm people."

HHHS BRIEFS

Mask shortage worries doctor

JENN WATT

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the October 22 meeting of Haliburton Highlands Health Services board of directors.

Hospital masks are getting held up at the U.S./Canada border, leaving health-care workers with little protection for the H1N1 virus, Dr. Norm Bottum said.

"One mask per person isn't going to do the trick," he said, "I go through a dozen a day."

Laraine Shine, infection control officer for HHHS, told Bottum that the current four-week supply of personal protective equipment for the pandemic could be used now in emergencies and that surgical masks could also be used in a pinch.

Wages increase pressure on budget

"Our biggest cost pressure comes from our employee and benefits line," CEO and president Paul Rosebush told the board, upon their approval of the renegotiated staff contract.

"I'm opposed to having an enforced labour contract with escalating costs and a flat top line," board member Warren Arseneau said, noting that wages are negotiated centrally, with the HHHS having no control. The HHHS also has little control over how much funding it received.

Arseneau said he had no problem with wage increases, but that without help from the government, it made budgeting for the hospital tricky.

Bed shuffling

Patients who shouldn't be in the emergency room are taking up beds there because there are none available for their particular needs, Bottum told the board.

"People come in the ER and stay in beds for days on end," he said.

Rosebush said that up to 50 per cent of HHHS's beds are being occupied by alternative-level of care patients setting, such as a long-term-care home, meaning those who are fit for discharge, but are waiting for a spot in a community.

Relieving the pressure on acute-care beds isn't as easy as simply fundraising for more space, though, because operational funds would have to be allocated to – for example – palliative care beds, something that can't be guaranteed even if capital funds were found.



The Echo is running a regular Q & A column with HHHS president Paul Rosebush. Do you have a health-care-related question you'd like answered?

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GLOBAL WARMING

Environment Haliburton, residents step up to plate

TERRANCE GAVAN

Special to the Echo

As protests go, the global warming awareness gathering, organized by Environment Haliburton!(EH), and held at Haliburton's Fleming College last Saturday, was modest.

Of course, as with most events in the burgeoning global village, the impact was enhanced by the cumulative impact of the World-Wide-Web, cross-border consultation, and some strategically placed phone calls to world leaders, including our own Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

About 25 residents of Haliburton Highlands gathered to lend their voice, their feet, and their hearts to the cause

of carbon suppression.

A phone number to Harper's office was given out at the beginning of the meeting and several members of the gathering made calls to the prime minister's office from their cellphones right from the Fleming courtyard. Other members promised to call the prime minister's office as soon as they got home.

It should be noted that Stephen Harper was not ducking calls last Saturday. A secretary was manning the phone and passing callers to a response line for recorded messages.

The pictures taken at the Haliburton gathering will be uploaded to a global action website along with hundreds of thousands of other images from Australia, Africa, Europe, South America, Canada, and the United States.

Organizers hope that such a unified call for action will act as a bellwether to politicians and jurisdictions right across the globe.

EH organized the event in conjunction with a global initiative called 350.org.

EH president Heather Ross said that last weekend's initiative was proposed by the 350 group in part to bring world leaders up to speed with the very urgent need to address the swelling levels of carbon dioxide in the

earth's atmosphere.

Ross explained that the global grassroots meetings held last Saturday were intended to present a unified voice to world leaders when they meet for a climate conference in Copenhagen in December.

That conference will attempt to reach a new global climate change treaty to replace the 1997 Kyoto Protocol on carbon dioxide emissions.

The group's name represents the 350 parts per million of carbon dioxide emissions in the atmosphere that some scientists say is the safe upper limit for continued global survival.

Ross, quoting widely held statistics, said that the atmosphere currently contains about 390 parts per million of carbon. That number was derived from research by NASA climate scientist James Hansen and is cited by 350.org on their website.

In what McKibben called a global game of Scrabble, groups in Australia, Ecuador, India, the United Kingdom, the U.S. and Denmark each spelled out one of the numbers in 350. Hundreds gathered in New York city's Times Square and watched slideshows of the other events on giant screens.

McKibben is an environmentalist and author of *The End of Nature*.

"It was ordinary people rallying around a scientific data point," McKibben said in an AP report. "Nothing like that has ever happened before."

Ross and event organizer Sharon Harrison asked the protesters at Fleming College to participate in a group photo and then they all took part in several traditional dances that offered homage to Mother Earth.

Ross said that the prime minister's number was provided to all participants in part because of Canada's past intransigence regarding Kyoto Accord targets, and its rather large and abysmal legacy of carbon emissions, much of that emanating from the Alberta tar sands development.

"We're asking all Canadians to indicate to our leaders that Canada has changed horses on the climate issue," said Ross. "We're not meeting our targets and that has to change."

Ross added that Canada's carbon footprint is huge when compared with other developed countries and that protests and grassroots gatherings like the one staged under the auspices of entities like 350.org would provide an impetus for change in Canada.

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Duchess holds court in nursing homes

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Her name is Duchess but really she's a big princess.

Duchess is a 90-pound Bouvier. Everywhere she goes, people ooh and aah over her impressive stance, her soft mottled grey fur and her looking-for-attention eyes. She loves the attention.

In fact, it's Duchess's job to be the centre of attention. At least once a week, she and her owner Dianne McMillan visit nursing homes where the residents smile as soon as they see her walk into the room. There's an instant bond, one that grows deeper with every visit.

McMillan is the co-ordinator of East Central Therapy Dogs. She's based in Peterborough but would love to see the program return to Haliburton County.

Several years ago, a handful of dog owners in the Highlands were part of the volunteer organization. They brought their dogs to visit residents in local nursing homes, bringing happiness with them. But then the local co-ordinator died and the volunteers drifted apart.

Anne Cork is also a long-time volunteer with Central East Therapy Dogs. She says many senior citizens used to own dogs and miss their companionship. A therapy dog visit to a nursing home gives them the canine friendship that they miss and yearn for.

"In some cases we're the only visitor they have," she says.

There are still people who visit nursing homes with their pets in an informal manner. But McMillan encourages dog owners to join her group because of the safeguards it provides both the nursing home and the dog owner.

Under the program, a dog is first tested for having the right temperament for visiting strangers in unfamiliar places. A dog can be any breed and any age but "you don't want a dog that will snap or show any aggression."

As part of the test, a dog will be given a treat and then be petted. Will the dog growl or try to protect the treat? Dogs are also taken into crowded rooms and busy environments to see how they'll react. Will they go to someone when invited?

Dogs must be friendly and compliant. They must also be well behaved so they don't jump up and knock someone down.

Large dogs work well in nursing homes because it's easy for a resident in a chair or bed to reach out to pet them. Small dogs can easily be placed on a bed. A medium-sized dog is not as ideal because residents have to reach down, but that doesn't mean medium-sized dogs aren't welcome.

There are theories about what breed of dog is best for a therapy program but McMillan says the main test is personality.

As an owner, she discourages Duchess from licking her face – "I know where that tongue has been" – but residents often encourage "a kiss."

Through the program, dogs must follow certain rules, such as not going into eating areas or being off a leash.

The advantage for dog owners is that the organization has insurance should there be a mishap.

Right now, there aren't enough volunteers to do one-on-one visits to seniors in their homes but they are always welcome at area nursing homes.

Anyone who's interested in joining the program should call McMillan at 705-652-7092 or visit the website, www.ectd.ca.

People just love it when Duchess, a one-year-old Bouvier, walks into a room. At least once a week, her owner, Dianne McMillan takes her to visit residents in nursing homes. McMillan would like to bring the therapy dog program back to Haliburton County. Photo by Martha Perkins.

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How do we solve poverty?

IT SHOULD COME as no surprise that poverty is bad for our health. Nor should anyone be shocked that poverty is an issue in Haliburton County. But what should we do with this knowledge? What can we do to get rid of poverty?

It's not as if we can wish poverty away. In absence of a magic wand, it's also difficult for us to instantly put more money in families' pockets and have the problem disappear. If it were that simple, it would have been done long ago. Our economy would be less dependent

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editorial

martha perkins

on the weather, we'd have well-paying jobs for young people so they'd choose to raise their families here and taxpayers would have nothing to complain about. When we talk about poverty, we often – and with

justification – think about the impact on children. But in the Highlands, with one of the highest populations of senior citizens, the discussion also has to focus on what we can do to help people who cannot work a little harder or a little longer to make ends meet. They're the ones for whom the term "fixed income" was created. At 70 years old, you can't expect to get a part-time job; many of your disposable assets are already long disposed of so you can't expect any more income from selling things off.

Sure, a lot of our seniors are retirees who have pensions, or who sold their house in the city for much more than they paid for it and can live off the proceeds. But there are also many seniors who survive on government pensions, which are barely enough to provide a roof over your head. Remember too that many older women didn't work outside the home so their pension funds are even smaller.

To a certain extent, we already have a community safety net for seniors. There are many programs geared towards their needs through such agencies as Community Care and the access centre. These agencies provide help to stay at home, as well as inexpensive social outlets but they can do nothing to improve a senior citizen's income. They help a senior spend less but when you have little to begin with, that's often not enough.

As a society, we are measured by how we take care of our most vulnerable citizens – our sick, our young, our elderly. We can do the most to help when our economy is strong but it's when the economy is weak that we are most aware of how much must be done. We have one more long winter to get through here in the Highlands before the recession lets us out of her grip. When spring comes, and brings with it new hopes for our future, let's make sure we remember to extend that hope to people who need help grabbing onto it.



Cat eyes

Photo by Jenn Watt

Game On?

SO, IN CASE you weren't aware it's that time of year again and, by that time, I mean hunting season, which is perhaps the most socially contentious time we have in an area like this.

In regards to hunting you're either for it or against it. Few people – on this subject at least – are fence sitters (unless, of course, you hate the practice yet find you look particularly good in neon orange clothing).

Both sides are adamantly opposed to the other. Hunters cite their one-trick-pony point about the hypocrisy of meat-eaters while the anti-hunting lobby uses that old argument about the barbaric nature of hunting. (Something to think about: just because broccoli doesn't scream, does that necessarily mean it isn't in pain?)

Both sides are as right as they like to believe they are and somehow co-exist by simply ignoring each other. As for me, I either understand hunting but don't accept it or I accept it but don't understand. It's likely more of the latter since I am admittedly a meat-eater but prefer the shameful convenience of someone else doing the dirty work for me.

What I will argue, however, is hunting being referred to as a sport. The Oxford Dictionary defines "sport" as "a game or competitive activity" or – if you prefer something even more absurd – "a recreation, amusement, diversion or fun." While I'm sure those armed with the bullets would heartily agree with this definition I'm fairly certain you'd get a vastly different answer were you to actually talk

with a moose, a deer or a spokesperson hired on behalf of a moose or a deer. (They may be losing this war simply based on bad PR.)

How (and I'm thinking like a helpless, unarmed and yes, somewhat simple-minded mammal here) is this considered a "sport" when it's eight hunters, 12 beagles, six ATVs

and nine GPS units against four hooves and the faint hopes of an obliging headwind?

I get that this creature (and I'm trying think like a guy, in a tree stand with four days' worth of stubble now) has natural abilities far beyond a human's and those things run like 40 miles an hour but isn't that the point? If you track them electronically; chase them doggedly (get it?) and outsmart them by being perched 40 feet above, at what point does

"sport" enter the equation?

The act of hunting, that exercise of tracking and catching prey, is as old as time itself. It's derived from very pure roots. At some point in our past, yes, we were on foot and we were hurling rocks and tackling furry creatures in an attempt to bag a meal for the family. But all too often one of our hunting posse got impaled by some antlers or devoured by a carnivore who had had just about enough of this whole silly chasing business. Historically we were pretty pathetic at this endeavour.

Back then it was a sport. Occasionally the underdog won a round or two. And that, I think, is the whole crux of the matter. These few weeks aren't about hunting after all. They're about revenge.



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Thinking small

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Star Wars

My wife and I have been together for 12 years now and just the other day we had our first argument. That's because up until recently we called them fights.

Like most men, I am ill-equipped to spend time in the ring with my wife. It doesn't matter if my cause is just, if I am as right as rain, or if I am being totally reasonable and trying to see her totally incorrect point of view. By round three, I'm generally labelled as insensitive, unthinking, selfish, or all of the above. And those are just my own admissions.

Worse still, the minute I assert myself, take a stand, and make an undeniably good point – the tears start. I don't know why I cry – I guess it's just the strain that accompanies knowing how much being right will cost me.

tales from



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The point is, like all men, I have never actually won an argument with my wife, or any woman for that matter. Oh sure, if you were impartially examining a legal transcript of any of the debates, it might appear as if I had won. Logical analysis might even suggest that my points were fair, thoughtful and ultimately valid. Heck, some of this country's top legal

minds might conclude that my deliberations and opening and closing statements were brilliant, passionate, and perhaps moving enough to sway any grand jury.

But all that is overruled if, in the end, my wife still believes I've acted like a jerk. Which is almost always the case.

With this in mind, I'm hoping you'll understand why I resorted to an obviously unfair measure during the aforementioned argument.

In order to grasp why, it's probably best to pick it up at the point when the argument had finally taken a turn in my favour.

"Okay I'll concede that I am an inconsiderate, selfish, and uncaring @\$%!" I began. "And I now quite clearly see that I should pick up after myself, get physically fit, reverse my balding trend, grow taller, increase my earning potential, and take over all major housework and cooking duties...."

As you can see, I had her on the ropes.

"Fine," she snapped. "I'm big enough to concede those facts too."

Any married man will immediately note that this was a victory of the first order. I had finally persuaded her to agree with me about something.

Sensing the abject and utter defeat that was to come, she then tried to surrender with dignity. "For my part, I will try not to remind you of your many faults more than a couple of times a day..."

"Do or do not," I said solemnly, "there is no try."

I uttered those words and held my breath, hoping that she would not recognize them as wisdom first uttered by Yoda in *Star Wars, The Empire Strikes Back*.

She stopped cold, then said, "I guess that's true. But I just wish we could have thought of that earlier..."

"Hmmp. Dwell on the could haves, we must not. Focus on the solution, we must," I countered, quoting once again from the Master.

"You know, that's also true," she said, calming down completely.

It suddenly occurred to me that men have an ally in Yoda. That's because very few women even have paid much attention to Yoda since he looks approximately like me.

Guys, I'm just putting this out there. If you don't have anything intelligent to say in the midst of a heated argument it doesn't hurt to throw out a quote or two from Master Yoda. Apparently, this confuses women. In fact, it induces this look that says, "How can something so wise and reasonable come out of a guy who was – not five minutes again – making fart noises with his armpits?"

That, my friends, is the power of the Force....



pic of the past

As autumn turns to winter, we come to the last photo that Vicki Markles shared with us of her wonderful summers at Wigamog Inn. In the 1950s, families would often book the same week of holidays, year after year. Coming to the Kashagawigamog resort was like a reunion. Once a week, the resort would host children's games, including these "horse races." Our thanks with Mrs. Markles, née Brown, for sharing these memories with us.

letters to the editor

Relay for Life says thanks

To the Community of Haliburton County,

I knew as soon as I put pen to paper that I would somehow miss someone in the Relay For Life thankyou ad. It is always a problem when you start listing people to thank but I thought I had complete lists from our committee members. There were a few names I caught but as the deadline got closer it is sometimes difficult to keep a clear mind.

Please let me re-assure anyone I missed that it was not intentional nor does it mean that we are not grateful for your continued support. The event, as you can imagine, is huge and the number of people involved from start to finish is absolutely amazing. The success of this event is because we are who we are and we genuinely care about the community we live, work and play in.

From the first Relay to the third we have had the support of many and I forgot to mention in

the ad the following community supporters. First Student Busy Bee bus service; each year they have stepped up to help with transportation and we could not make this work without their support. The Source has been with us also since the beginning and they have stepped up each and every year and we thank you too. Jane van Nood last year made wonderful jewellery and donated to the Smart Shop for sale; an amazing donation that was loved by many shoppers.

Our committee has already had three meetings in preparation of the June 11, 2010 event and we are very excited. Mike and Wendy Iles and I are attending a conference later in November where we are sure to be asked how we get the whole community involved.

Thank you again to everyone and we look forward to another successful event.

Aggie Tose
Haliburton

Editor helped make paper a must-read

To the Editor:

This is not a "letter to the editor" but one about the editor. I wonder if our region really appreciates what Martha Perkins has created during her sojourn at the *Echo*.

Perhaps it can be summed up by paraphrasing the comments many of the out-of-town friends who have visited us over the years and read our local paper - the *Echo*. "This is interesting, not typical of small town newspapers. There are articles

here in depth and beckoning one to read," etc. etc.

To me that sums up Martha's talent, skill, and tenacity in her efforts to shape our small town newspaper. The many national awards attest to the value of her vision.

Thank you, Martha

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Poverty creates health issues

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"I just described someone [homeless] in downtown Toronto and someone with a 911 number paying property taxes in Haliburton County," she said.

In April, U-Links released a report card on the "social determinants of health" in Haliburton County – essentially a run-down of those extra figures in the good health formula – and found that in this area the challenges people face to good health are steep and also fundamentally different than what city dwellers face.

They identified areas for further study, which the students from Trent will investigate as part of their curriculum in professor Mark Skinner's rural health geography course.

One of the big challenges health care providers face, the students were told, is a large geographical area with an aging population (a quarter of the population is older than 65).

Judy Cumming, services coordinator at Community Care Haliburton, pointed to the subsidized transportation her organization provides to three people receiving dialysis in Lindsay.

The three people travel together three times a week and pay \$3,000 a year for the service. Community Care also offers individual rides to hospitals – it costs, for example \$40 to be taken to Peterborough and back.

"It's subsidized, but still it's a big hit to people on a low income," Cumming said, noting that many of her clients are on low, fixed incomes.

This is a challenge that is not apparent in larger, urban centres where hospital patients live close by and can take public transportation, walk, or receive short inexpensive private transportation to the hospital.

Transportation is also a challenge for the very young, Lisa Hamilton of Point in Time told the students.

Families she works for have a hard time getting their kids to extra-curricular activities, dentist appointments or for regular trips to the doctor, since many don't have cars or if they do have cars they don't have insurance, licences or gas for them.

"Sometimes we only see two families a day," Hamilton said, because the distance between homes is so great a lot of staff time is spent driving.

If a family doesn't have a vehicle, teenagers won't be able to get summer jobs, and in many cases even parents won't be able to find work, she said.

And of course, without a steady income, eating well and paying household bills is difficult.

According to the social determinants report, "11.5 per cent of households in Haliburton County experience food insecurity" and more than 200 households use the food bank on a monthly basis – about one percentage point higher than the Ontario average of three per cent.

In the case of emergencies, geography again plays a huge role in getting good care, which is one of the reasons the Highlands needs two emergency rooms, president and CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services Paul Rosebush said.

"If you can't get people there then you don't have the service to provide," he said.

He expressed some frustration at the lack of family physicians in the county, specifically in Minden, but recognized that there are so many opportunities for doctors across the country that it is hard to get them up to this county.

"Folks in our community are left sort

of reeling," he said.

Rosebush also has to fight for resources for the two small hospitals under his direction when he meets with the Central East Local Health Integrated Network, which oversees hospitals as far away as Scarborough.

"The powers of centralization are changing the way we provide health care," he said, giving the examples of the recently cut obstetrics program and the fact that the hospital sends all dialysis patients to larger towns for treatment.

"Maintaining health care services is our real challenge," he said, "in a shrinking economy, hanging on to what we have is going to be huge."

After the presentations, the class met to decide which topics would be researched further. Fifteen students agreed to look at housing, women and poverty, education and literacy, healthy childhood development, social support networks, income and social status, food security and personal health and coping skills.

Numbers tell story

Highlights of the report, Social Determinants of Health in Haliburton County, A Report Card April 2009

- \$29,156 – after tax income of single mother households in Haliburton County (Ontario average \$34,206)
- 23.2% – people in county who rely on government sources of income
- \$638 – average monthly cost for rented dwellings in the county (\$801 for Ontario)
- 11.5% – households in county experiencing food insecurity
- 55.2% – those without post secondary certificate, degree or diploma in county (49% in Ontario)
- 2 – number of smog days in 2008 (17 in Ontario)
- 37.3% – overweight people in the county, 17.1% are obese (in Ontario 34.9% are overweight and 17.9% are obese)
- 26.5% – smokers in the county (22.5% in Ontario)
- 0.71% – infant mortality (0.46% in Ontario)
- 14% – kindergarten kids with cavities, half of those went untreated (Ontario between 6 and 10% kids have cavities)

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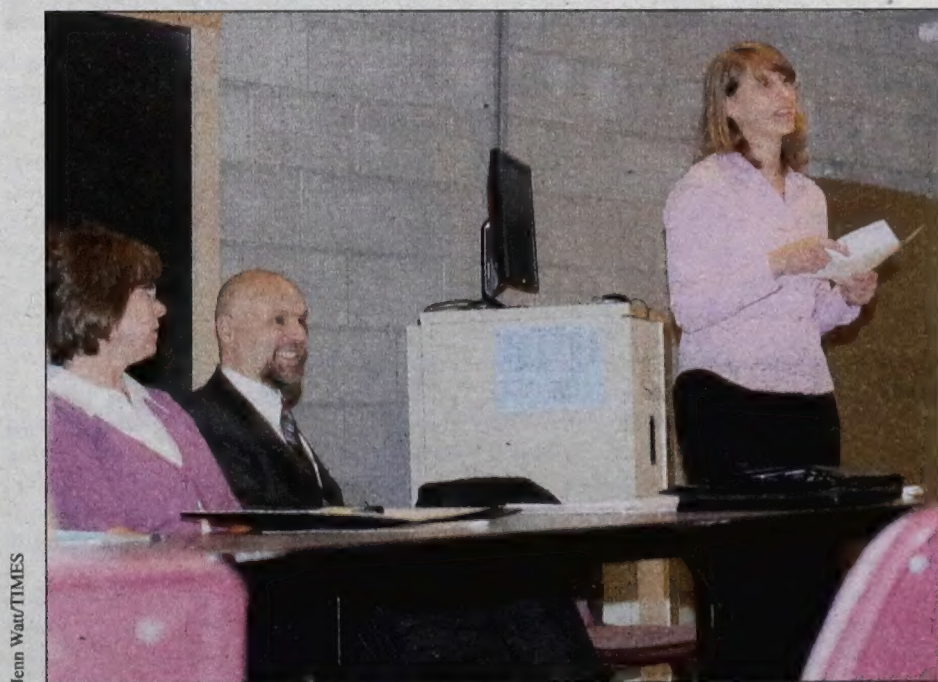
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Beth Archibald, director of the family health team, speaks to students from Trent University about how our social environment affects our health. President and CEO of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Paul Rosebush and Judy Cummings of Community Care (pictured) as well as Lisa Hamilton of Point in Time also spoke to the class.

LOOKING BACK

Be curious, be a good listener and love to chat

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

When I was growing up in Lindsay, we lived in a neighbourhood of old houses and old people. There was a widow to our left, our right, across the street and a few doors down on all sides.

Every so often my mother would send me over to one of these widows for a visit.

"But what will I talk to them about?" I'd whine.

My mother's advice about life was as succinct and straightforward as the rules she set for her eight children. "I don't care," she answered. "You've got a mouth - use it."

And so I'd knock on the widow's door. I'm not sure what we talked about but my guess is that I started the conversation in much the same way I would open thousands of interviews in my 24 years at the *Haliburton County Echo* - by being curious. Who were the people in the photos on the wall? Where did they get that trinket? Had they lived in Lindsay long?

Later, as a teenager, I was hired by a pharmacist who wanted to make people happy, not just healthy. I swear that my job was to talk to all the older clients who stood by the counter while he counted out their prescriptions.

Today, during this time of reflection as I prepare to leave Haliburton for new opportunities in British Columbia, I've come to realize that I am, at heart, a small-town journalist because I love to chat. I get paid to walk into people's homes and talk to them about their lives. I pick up story ideas when I stop to chat on the steps of the post office or in the grocery stores. I am comfortable interviewing strangers and have learned that although at first they might not feel comfortable talking about themselves, they soon warm up to the subject once they trust that you are interested.

I have a mouth and I use it.

But I also have ears. A big part of the success of being a reporter is learning

One-room school houses live in memories

The schools may have changed
but children always stay the same

By MARTHA PERKINS
Staff Reporter

September is the start of all things new, especially for children.

Summer is spent; the idle days are no longer a treat but a chore as parents and youngsters alike run out of fresh ideas of what to do.

Complete with a new wardrobe and full of anticipation, the children find their way back to school to renew old friendships and check out the new teacher.

Year after year, the sights and sounds of children absorbing the new world around them is a familiar one. The boys will continue to tease the girls and the girls will continue to giggle over the boys.

Times have changed but children haven't. Whether a bright orange school bus picks them up at the end of the driveway or a cutter makes its way through the snow piles, children will always make that daily pilgrimage to the hallowed institutions of our educational system.

The rural school was the community headquarters...It was more of a family affair.

But we did seem to lose something when the little one-room school houses were closed back in the '60s. Never far away, the school was the one place everyone could go to for the Friday evening social or Sunday church gatherings. The teacher was an integral part of the community, at times a social worker, nurse and fireman.

"Education has taken so many strides but the rural school was the community headquarters," says Greta Kelleit, who started her teaching days

back in 1929. "It was more of a family affair."

At the young age of 16, this Haliburton native found her first teaching job at the Gooderham Consolidated School with the heavy responsibility of the Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 classes. Her salary wasn't much, but then again, the Great Depression had begun.

"I taught for \$500 a year and was glad to get it. You were very glad to get a job...Nobody else was making that much money either."

And what a job it was. With only a year of training behind her she had to tackle the organizational hassles of teaching four grades and the awesome responsibility of being in control of all those young lives.

After trudging across open fields and wooded trails, the pupils and teacher did not have the warm comfort of the school to greet them at the end of their journey. Instead, the first half hour would be spent huddling around the wood stove, waiting for the heat of the fire to thaw their chilled bones.

"Seat work was a problem because in the thirties we had few notebooks and no spirit copiers. Work was either written on the blackboard or on paper using carbon copies. One of the big problems was to keep the junior grades gainfully employed while teaching the senior classes."

Unlike today though, when youngsters are separated according to grade, the teacher back then got a lot of help from her older students.

Quite often a Grade 8 student would have a younger brother and sister in the same classroom with them. Since there were not a lot of kids to play with in the first place, the younger children were asked to join in all the activities.

The biggest event of the year was the Christmas concert. School boards were hampered by restrictive budgets that would just allow for the basics and the Christmas concert soon became one of the primary fund-raising events for supplies as well as being an annual event in which



Take away the old clothing, change the hairstyles, and this group from Dyson S.S. #4 could easily pass for children in the 1980's. This picture of Grace

Kelleit's class was taken in the late 1940's, a time when the government needed all the teachers it could get.

the whole community participated.

The month leading up to the big event was spent busily preparing skits and plays, writing speeches, finding the best Christmas tree to decorate and dressing the school up in all its holiday finery.

"Often the mothers would help with the decorations and the farmers would come in their sleighs to help with heavy loads," Greta Kelleit recalls.

With all these fond memories, she does not try to distinguish one from the other or say which ones are her best.

"I wouldn't want to separate any of my fondest memories. Little things the children did for you were often very moving."

But while Greta Kelleit can call her teaching years "the good old days," she is not wrapped up in the past and says with confidence that the school system today is much better than what it used to be.

"It's a different life the children live now. They have a broader education today and they know more about the world and the country. Oh yes, it's much better now. There's no comparison." Greta Kelleit's feelings are shared by Celia Brown. The two women started at the same time, share many of the same memories, kindly reflect on the days of the one-room school house yet both welcome the future changes.

Celia Brown's memories are kept in a trustworthy old photograph album, the corners dog-eared from years of flipping through the pages.

Under one picture of pupils gathered beside their communal school house is the caption "Suspense and Smiles".

"You'd have to know the children," she explains with a chuckle. "Some of them were wondering what was going to happen and some of them were just happy-go-lucky."

Suspense and smiles could also describe her feelings those first few weeks of teaching. Born in Bobcaygeon, she had just finished her year of teacher training in Peterborough and received notice she was hired to teach all the grades in Minden S.S. #1.

She boarded with a family just a few fields away from the school, and an old trail through the sugar bush made the walk a little easier.

"I wasn't homesick because the people were so good to me," she says. "The children seemed like brothers and sisters really."

"The first winter the school wasn't well insulated so I wore ski pants made of moose cloth

and the kids used to sit around the stove if it was cold."

One of her favourite memories is of a young girl who had to get a tooth pulled. The only dentist came up from Lindsay so they had to sit outside the school to catch him on his way back home from Haliburton.

"The little girl sat out on the rock in front of the school and he pulled out her tooth," she remembers. On another day they saw a bear wander by and "if I had been a city girl I would have been alarmed maybe."

Like Grace Kelleit, she wasn't making much money but she enjoyed what she was doing. During the Depression, salaries took a dive and married teachers were not welcome unless their husbands couldn't work.

Then came the war and a shortage of teachers. Brown had not been teaching for four years when "the inspector came looking for all the spare teachers and pushed me to go back." She continued teaching until 1971.

Perhaps the people in the Lochlin area will remember her the most. For twenty years she saw children come and go and eventually ended up teaching the children of her former students.

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Shing to school wasn't unheard of in the 1930's but Celia Brown believes she didn't do it too often in a skirt.

When Martha Perkins arrived at the *Haliburton Echo* in September of 1985, her first feature was about two local women who used to teach in one-room schools. September is always a time of new beginnings so it was a very appropriate subject for the recent Ryerson graduate. Perkins went on to write hundreds of features in her 24 years at the *Echo*.

how to listen. Really listen. Not only are you writing down what people say, but you are recording in your brain how they say it. You are making sure that you understand what they're saying because if you don't understand, you won't be able to make your readers understand. A reporter can never feel stupid about asking a question because our job is to not know something and then find out about it.

Of course, when I'm done chatting with the people I'm interviewing I have to return to the office and write about our conversation. The challenge is to make readers as interested in the conversation as I am. I have to make readers care, too. And so writing stories has become a game I play with myself: how can I write a story in such a way that will make people sit down and read it instead of take the dog for walk, or write emails, or watch television?

I've always said that you can help young reporters become better writers but you can't teach them curiosity. If people have enjoyed my stories - and it's the features and people profiles that will be my contribution to the county's sense of history and place - it's because they've enjoyed what the people I've interviewed have to say. I've asked people questions that led to interesting answers. I was curious and as a reporter I had a licence to exercise that curiosity. Talk about being blessed!

There are journalists who are good at uncovering wrongdoing, some who are good at the catchy phrase, others who love digging deep into a story's roots. I see myself as a storyteller, pure and simple. I've had to do news, and sports, and administrative duties but what I love most is features. And in writing those features, I broke all the rules set by people who study newspapers in business

school. The features were long, sometimes stretching for two or three pages. They sometimes contained big words. They could be about the most innocuous subject.

But the *Echo's* readers were gracious and, as luck would have it, they were as curious as I was.

There are so many people I have to thank. There are the people who opened their doors, and their lives, and let me in for a visit. They showed enormous trust. But more than that, they were courageous enough to share their thoughts and ideas with readers.

There are the people who had to patiently explain things that I knew nothing about and believe me, there's nothing like being a reporter to make you realize how little you know about a lot of things. But people were kind and took their time to help me glean enough

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Being a reporter to makes you realize how little you know

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information to write the story.

Readers were also patient. They forgave me my mistakes and allowed me to grow as a writer and person. They let me take them down roads without a map, never knowing where my curiosity was going to lead them.

And the newspaper's management, especially former owner Len Pizzey, and staff deserve a medal of bravery for allowing me to be who I was – and sometimes that wasn't easy! As much as I like to think of myself as an easygoing person who never gets upset, I recognize that I can be, well, stubborn. I also remember my shock the first time a reporter told me that I was a control freak. Control freak? Me? I've always thought that as long as people did things the way I like them to be done, I didn't have to control anyone.

And now it's time to reveal some of the funnier aspects of my tenure at the Echo.

The day I thought Murray Fearrey had died: It was a summer Sunday afternoon and I was at work, trying to get a start on the dozens of things I had to do before we laid out the paper on Monday. We were short-staffed and I'd been doing double duty to cover another reporter's assignments.

The phone rang. It was someone who'd

heard that long-time Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey had died of a massive heart attack that morning.

Do you know what my totally self-absorbed reaction was? "Shoot, I don't have time for Murray to die!"

All I could think of was all the interviews I'd have to do in order to give Murray the tribute he deserved. How on earth would I find the time?

The first challenge was to discreetly find out if he was indeed dead. I couldn't exactly phone his home so I did my usual crab-like sideways crawl towards finding someone who would know. A few phonecalls later, I found out that Murray was alive and well and probably out enjoying the summer weekend.

It turns out that a lovely older man, Murray Scott, had suffered a massive heart attack at church that morning. Some cashiers at the grocery store had heard customers say that "Murray died" and the only Murray they knew was Murray Fearrey. Ergo, Murray Fearrey had died.

As sad as I was to hear of Murray Scott's passing – he was one of those few remaining oldtimers who spoke with the Guilford accent – I was very relieved to find out Murray Fearrey was still alive, and not just because I didn't have to write his obituary that week!

The best quote I never used: I was interviewing a woman about her life in

the early days of 20th century Haliburton County. I needed a few more good quotes so I went back to an earlier point of our conversation. She had told me that her husband had died at an early age, leaving her to care for their young children on her own. Wasn't that incredibly tough in those days?

Her reply was one of the best quotes of my career but there was no way I could use it in the article.

"To tell you the truth," she said, "I was damned glad that he died. All he did was nag, nag, nag."

The best example of why I am a horrible hard-news reporter: It was a Monday, in summer, and once again I was both short staffed and on deadline. In the newspaper world, the printing plant rules. Woe betide the editor that doesn't get the pages to the printer on time. In the midst of layout, the power went out. There was nothing we could do except stew about how late we were going to be. As I worried and paced, emergency personnel were racing by the Echo office. Just one more inconvenience, I thought – there was news going on somewhere and we wouldn't have time to get it in

the next day's paper because we were already so late.

I have a couple of ways of describing my personality. One is that I am like a ship – I can carry heavy loads over long distances but don't ask to turn quickly. I am not spontaneous. I need time to think about what I'm going to do before I jump in and do it.

So when the umpteenth emergency vehicle flew past the office about half an hour later, lights flashing, I thought enough already. I started to make phone calls to find out what had happened. It turns out that a tanker trailer full of gas had gone off the road when the driver swerved to avoid a bear. The tanker's contents had caught on fire; thick black smoke was billowing so high that a pilot flying near Dorset could see it. I grabbed my camera, hurried to the scene and then was able to walk very close to the fire, saying hello to all the firefighters along the way. Of course, I ran out of film and had to borrow a roll from a spectator I knew. I was able to get back to Haliburton, have the film processed and put the photo and story on the front page. When the paper came out the next day, we felt like a real newspaper with real news.

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A place where so many have passed; where thousands have entered to purchase basic staples required for a weekend or family happening but also to connect with others in a relaxed and friendly setting. A landmark not unlike many found in and around other small communities within Haliburton County. Situated in a location perhaps more accessible by the Model T or horse and buggy.

Hilltop Market, and its adjoining property, represents a particular facet of our local history, one reflected perhaps more on a personal level. Community history often disappears because local accounts live only in people's memories. Details are not critical in understanding the nature of this place because Hilltop is more about individuals and associated events.

This business started at a time when people were becoming increasingly mobile due to a rise in automobile usage and improvements in the highway system. Tom and Fannie Moon owned the land on which Hilltop was eventually built. They decided to construct four small cabins on their farm as a means to supplement their income. These build-

ings were situated directly west of the present-day store.

One of these cabins (cabin two) remains secure on its original site and served well as summer lodging for a young Linda Suter during the 1960s and eventually as a snack bar.

Ernie and Minnie Reese were the first proprietors of the market store. It has been determined that Reese was involved in the original construction. With only anecdotal evidence from long-time residents of Haliburton to go by, pinpointing the time of construction remains somewhat unclear. Speculation has initial usage beginning in the late 1930s.

The primary building was rudimentary in nature without proper foundations and with no indoor plumbing. Heat was provided by a wood stove centrally located within the structure. Patrons frequented this establishment in cars, some of which may have sported a "rumble seat." It was not unusual for a horse to be tethered to one of the large maples situated just outside the front door.

Certain traditions became established over time. Minnie would be accustomed to customers such as Mike Biagi receiving his homemade pie each Sunday morning. It was common for local hunters to have deer and moose "dressed"

out back of the store. Tom's brother Bob still maintained a connection to the original Moon farm well into the 1950s. He would make the short trek up the hill for his allotted order of oatmeal-raisin cookies every second Friday. Jean (Bessie) Suter reluctantly inherited this tradition on April 29, 1959 when ownership of the business changed hands.

For the next 13 years, Dennis and Bessie Suter managed the property. The rental cabins still generated income; however, the store was to become more of the main focus. A score of upgrades were made to bring it up to modern standards and to meet a growing demand for the sale of local goods and produce. A proper cash register was yet to be employed in the premises. Tallies for groceries were often made directly on the paper bags customers brought into the market. Their daughter Linda recalls how well her math skills improved one particular summer when she was old enough to work behind the counter.

Only 15 years earlier, ice was cut from Lake Kashagawigamog, transported and stored in the sawdust-packed building adjoining the market. Local farmers

depended on Hilltop to sell a portion of their goods. Fresh asparagus, garlic, apples and potatoes were routinely available depending on the season. Eggs were supplied from Rosenberg's Farm, which was just five minutes towards town. Bessie Suter met her weekly duty of baking 50 pies each Friday that sold quickly over the weekend. Their two daughters, Linda and Barbara, learned a lesson in hard work, something we often only come to appreciate as adults. The lack of air conditioning, as well as the cramped quarters, made this weekly routine a challenge.

Eventually the house, which stands on the property today, was erected. No more trips to the outhouse to the delight of the girls. Neighbours and local businesses became dependent on the store particularly because of its long hours of operation - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. It closed only on Christmas morning. The small IGA and Red & White in Haliburton could not compete in many ways. Hilltop's identity as a true convenience store was solid. Customers found it difficult

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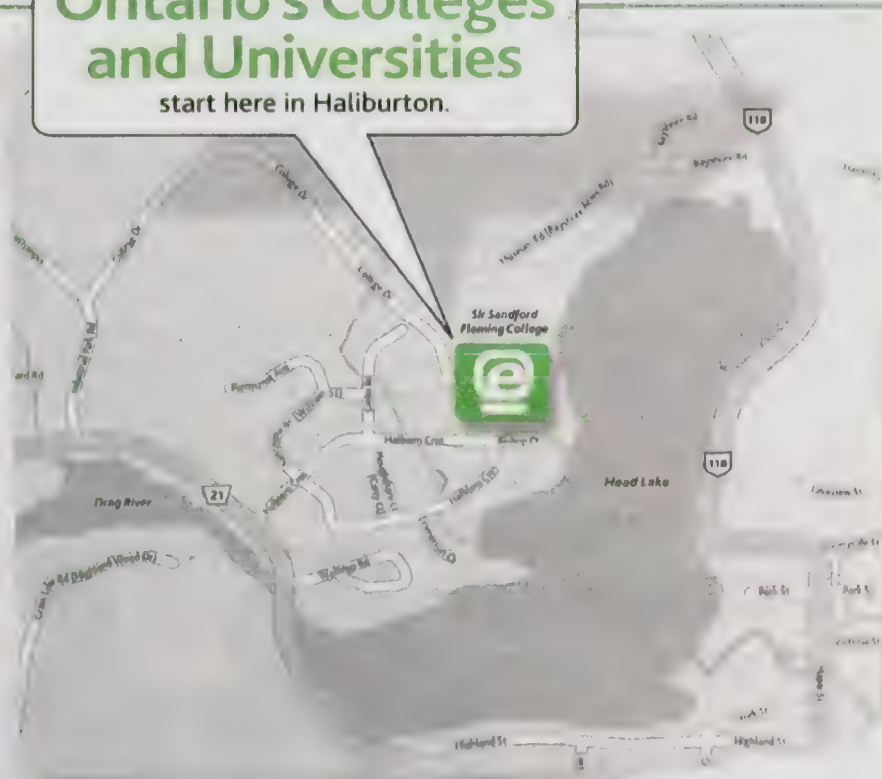
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After years behind the counter at Hilltop Market, Agnes Reiss, centre, has sold the County Road 21 store to Collin Burke and Lisa Marchant. Photo by Matt James.

Hilltop was spared in fire

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to resist an Orange Crush, Coke, or Fanta which lay waiting in the water-filled cooler.

Harry and Nellie Hone operated the Castaway Restaurant next to the store. The buildings were so close that a small child could not walk between the two structures. The wind must have been blowing right the day the eatery was taken by flame. Hilltop was spared. One of the original Moon residences could not be saved by the local fire department just recently.

In 1972, the Kilby family took possession. Rising land prices and the large number of improvements made to the primary building inflated the buying price beyond the \$15,000 the Suters paid in 1959. Hilltop had become a viable and important segment of the local business community. The Kilbys stayed for two and a half years.

Ownership of the property would be relinquished for the fourth time in May of 1974. Ludwig and Agnes Reiss had promising opportunities in Oakville but the draw of Haliburton was sufficient for both to make a dramatic life decision. After only one day in the Highlands, Ludwig remarked, "I want to live and die in this place."

Each appreciated the beauty of the outdoors - Ludwig from the Austrian Carpathians and Agnes from the nearby Dolomites. They carried on the tradition of long hours and friendly service. Providing meals took on a greater role in the workings of the business over the next three decades. The only remaining Moon cabin was relegated to "snackbar" status.

"Agnes is to people what a piece of bread is to a starving man," a friend remarked once. Her expertise in cooking held her in good stead. A tiny local food

establishment with an Austrian flair became the signature she would create. The use of two specialty ovens allowed her to cook more than 30 pizzas for delivery to the Haliburton Hockey Haven. Ludwig and their daughter Margaret used wool blankets to cover the order to meet the 25-minute drive. One time they were surprised by a bear in the parking area who allowed them out of the car only when it discovered the pizzas had no anchovies.

Ludwig died at four in the morning New Year's day. According to Agnes, this was the exact hour Dennis Suter passed. The Reese family ran the business originally. The Reiss (the Germanic surname equivalent to Reese) family were the fourth owners. Just a couple of the small coincidences seen in life.

A fall in her driveway, last January, caused Agnes to reflect on her role in the business. The decision to surrender the operations to a new party came quickly after this incident. Potential buyers were many but the resolution for local residents to take over seemed the best. Individuals not intent on repeating what went on previously but perhaps with purpose simply of seeing what plays out - their own little segment of community history.

Hilltop was established at a time with few regulations, when an individual could put up one's "shingle" in order to make a living. Hilltop Market, and its surrounding properties, has experienced a number of changes over the decades. A bakery, butcher shop, livery, restaurant and even post office were all part of its identity. In practical terms, a market is to provide basic food staples; a locale where occupants have come and gone but more importantly, where lifelong connections and friends have been made. "A Meeting Place."

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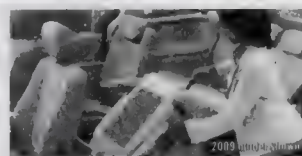
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The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association is an association dedicated to the outdoor sport of hunting & fishing and currently has about 250 members. The Association thanks those individuals and business who have volunteered to act as drop-off centres. If you wish to join the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, contact the Hatchery at 457-9664.

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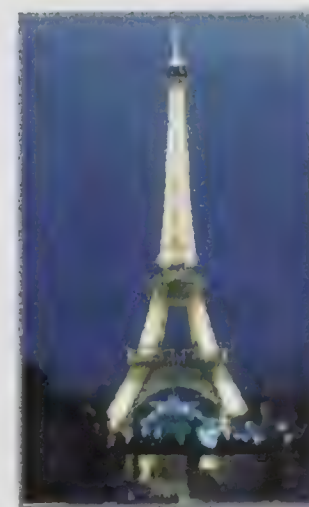
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HIKE HALIBURTON

Walking with wilderness

Photos by Sian Cox

The air was crisp, the sky was blue, and the sun was shining for the seventh annual Hike Haliburton Festival this past weekend. Hikers were able to participate in a variety of activities demonstrated by volunteers. Activities included photography (Snowden Park), horseback riding (Harcourt), physical fitness (Haliburton), geocaching (Tory

Hill), geology (Wilberforce), and a night hike on the Rail Trail.

The Hike Haliburton Festival is organized and run by the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network. Trails and Tours is a non-profit organization that develops and promotes the Haliburton Highlands as a premiere year-round trail and tour destination.



Young geocachers check their GPS unit for direction.



Jack Brezina admires the art pieces in the Haliburton Sculpture Forest.



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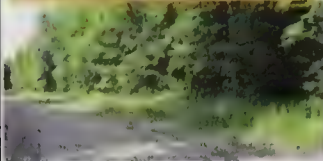
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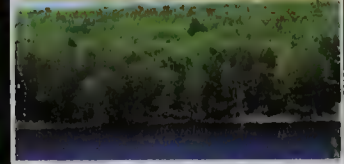
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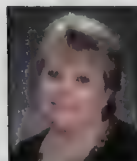


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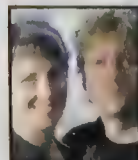
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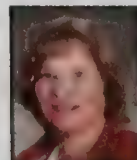
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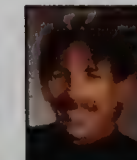
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Information Centre to Review Draft Forest Management Plan 2010-2020

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- Want to take an active role in the planning process and development of the Algonquin Park Forest, Forest Management Plan (FMP)?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please join **Ontario Parks (MNR)**, the **Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA)** and the **Local Citizen Committees (LCC)** at public information centres to review the draft FMP for the Algonquin Park Forest.

You will have an opportunity to review and provide comments on the draft FMP which includes details on

- The long-term management direction of the forest;
- The planned harvest, renewal and tending operations and access roads for the first five-year term (2010 to 2020);
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- The planned corridors for primary and branch roads for the ten-year term;
- Ministry of Natural Resources' list of preliminary changes.

How to Get Involved

Information Centres will be held at the following locations from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on the following days:

Tuesday, December 1, 2009 - Hidden Valley, 1755 Valley Rd., Huntsville, ON

Wednesday, December 2, 2009 - Royal Canadian Legion Hall, 250 John St., Barry's Bay, ON

The planning team will also meet with interested parties from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the following location:

Monday, December 7, 2009 - Travelodge Hotel, 1376 Carling Ave., Ottawa, ON

Copies of the draft FMP summary and values maps may be obtained at the Information Centre(s), or by contacting the Ontario Parks/Ministry of Natural Resources Pembroke office or the Algonquin Forestry Authority office.

Can't Make It?

The draft Algonquin Park Forest FMP will also be available for public review and comment for 60 days (December 1, 2009 to January 29, 2010) at:

- The Ministry of Natural Resources public website at ontario.ca/forestplans
- The Ministry of Natural Resources Whitney office, Highway #60, Whitney, ON, Paul Gelok 613-637-2780, ext. 244
- Service Ontario Centre in Toronto (777 Bay St. Suite M212, Market Level; call toll-free: 1-800-268-8758) which provides computer access to the MNR website at ontario.ca/forestplans
- Ottawa Public Library, Ottawa Room, 120 Metcalfe St., Ottawa, ON, 613-580-2945
- Algonquin Forestry Authority office, 222 Main St. West, Huntsville, ON, Gord Cumming (Plan Author), 705-789-9647
- Ontario Parks/Ministry of Natural Resources Pembroke office, 31 Riverside Dr., Pembroke, ON, Joe Yaraskavitch, 613-732-5550
- Ministry of Natural Resources Regional office, 300 Water St., Peterborough, ON, Roger Davison, 613-755-3219

As well, an appointment with the Ministry of Natural Resources District Manager or with a planning team member during non-business hours may be made by calling 613-732-5550.

Comments must be received by Joe Yaraskavitch of the planning team at the ministry's Pembroke Office by January 29, 2010.

The plan is being prepared by the following planning team members:

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The planning team members, the Ministry of Natural Resources District Manager and the LCC are available at any time during the planning process to meet with you and discuss your interests, issues or concerns.

A formal issue resolution process, as described in the Forest Management Planning Manual (2004), can be initiated upon request.

Still Can't Make It?

A final opportunity for public involvement will be available during the public inspection of the Ministry of Natural Resources-approved FMP which is tentatively scheduled for April 15 - May 15, 2010.

The approval date of the FMP is tentatively scheduled for: April 1, 2010.

For further information, please contact:

Joe Yaraskavitch, Ontario Parks, 613-732-5550
Gord Cumming, AFA, 705-789-9647, ext. 30
Tom Ballantine, LCC, 705-447-3253

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Two new stars are born, Red Hawks go to playoffs

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All the world's a stage, and sometimes the understudies get to sally forth from the wings.

Last Monday two Red Hawk senior football players, Greg Baumgartner and Matt Rae, received some pretty intriguing news as they walked onto Gary G. Brohman Field for afternoon practice.

They learned that two stellar starting running backs that had carried both the ball and senior football fortunes all year, Tyler Wood and Drew Paul, had fallen prey to Haliburton's version of a global pandemic – hockey injuries. (Wood is out for the season and Paul is day-to-day.)

Coaches Derek Little, Tim Davies and Gary Brohman met with Baumgartner and Rae just prior to last Monday's practice and told them that they would be the starting running backs for the upcoming game against Norwood (played last Thurs-

day, October 22).

Big shoes to fill. Big game to play. Big stage.

A 14-13 victory over Holy Cross on October 15 had propelled the senior Hawks to a 2-2 seasonal record, and a win over Norwood in their final game of the regular season would guarantee the Hawks a playoff berth.

Last Thursday as a cold, bleak rain destroyed any chance at a passing game, Baumgartner stepped up, out, and over numerous human obstructions on his way to three rushing touchdowns, and a 23-0 Red Hawks win over Norwood. The win sets up a return dance with the Kenner Rams in the Kawartha semi-finals in Peterborough this Thursday afternoon (October 30).

The junior Red Hawks also won their season closer with a 6-2 win over Norwood. Since they lost 10-0 to Holy Cross last week, however, their season record of 2-3 will not get them to the post-season party.



Baumgartner carries senior Red Hawks to playoffs, during the game. The Red Hawks won the game over Norwood, 23-0.

In the senior tilt, Baumgartner also converted all three majors, and the safety in the second half came as the result of a Baumgartner punt that was mishandled by the Norwood punt return unit.

Sporting a Grand Canyon grin after the game, Baumgartner was not accepting any of the credit.

"Yeah, this is my first game at running back," said a jubilant Baumgartner. "We've been practising since Monday, me and Matt Rae switching it up at running back replacing both Drew (Paul) and Tyler (Wood). But I couldn't have done it without the O-line ... they were opening huge holes for me all I had to do was get around a couple of guys and I was gone."

Baumgartner scored on two short running plays in the

first quarter. A 60-yard second quarter gallop for the third touchdown put the game in a satchel, but more than that, it probably also cemented Baumgartner's continued presence in the Red Hawk backfield for the duration of the postseason.

Coach Davies said that the loss of Wood and Paul forced the staff into a huddle of their own on Monday morning.

"How did we know who to use?" said Davies. "Well, tailbacks are going to be your athletes, and Greg has played a lot of rugby and he carried the ball in rugby a lot along with Matt Rae, who got hurt in the first half, but also helped to carry the ball very well for us."

He added that Baumgartner, Rae and Paul (who could return) would probably share time at running back in this Thursday's playoff against Kenner. Kenner beat the Hawks 12-0 earlier this season.

Juniors fall short of playoff berth

Coach Bruce Griffith knew

the odds were against his junior Red Hawk football squad.

If the junior Hawks were going to move into the Kawartha post-season this year they had to post a win over Norwood, and they also had to hope Campbellford High School came up with a win versus Adam Scott.

The Red Hawk juniors fulfilled their part of the bargain, but the winless Campbellford squad fell just shy of a huge upset, losing 6-3 to Adam Scott.

"Well we played a pretty good game, but it's junior football," said Griffith post-game.

Red Hawk running back Andrew Murray scored the only touchdown with five minutes left in the second quarter off a 35-yard sweep.

With just over a minute left in the game and the Red Hawks deep in their own end, Griffith called for his team to forego a punt for an intentional safety.

They gave up two points, but were able to kick the ball into Norwood territory and the defense came up huge, stopping Norwood and eventually running Norwood out of time and out of downs.



Red Hawks 6 – Norwood 2.



Coach Brohman strategizes with the team during the game.



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Curling organizer hopes to add young dimension

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Curlers are getting ready for another great season at the Haliburton Curling Club but one particular group is getting a little more attention this year – the junior program.

Membership co-ordinator Bob MacNaull has gone the extra mile to build on the existing junior program in hopes of adding a little more youth to the organization.

"Curling is the kind of sport that all sizes of kids can participate in," said MacNaull. "Kids, male or female, will learn about team concept and can enjoy it." Curling as a sport is as popular as it's ever been and with the Olympics just around the corner MacNaull feels now is a great time for kids to get into the sport.

This season MacNaull has made contact with J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School and the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in hopes of introducing more students to curling.

"If they enjoy learning new skills and testing these skills with other kids then there's a bit of a challenge and some excitement in that for them," he says.

Winning, he says, isn't the main

focus.

While the junior program has been running at the Haliburton club for about 20 years, the numbers have been stagnant over the years with only about eight to 10 junior members. But getting kids interested in the game is more than just continuing to build strong curling for the future.

"So really with these kids it's about the three Fs – fun, fitness and teaching fundamentals," said MacNaull.

The fun is making the experience a good one for the kids; the fitness is the obvious aim to get kids more active and participating in a sport during the winter months; and the fundamentals is teaching the kids the basics and learning the skills of curling.

This year registration forms went out to kids in JDHES and HHSS and so far MacNaull is pleased with the results.

"We are starting to get forms returned now and it's quite promising so far," he said. "We'll have a significantly bigger junior program this year."

So far MacNaull estimates about 20 kids have signed up for the junior program and it's not too late to register.

For more information or to register call Bob MacNaull at 457-1872 or Marilyn Whittaker at 457-9808.

Hawks show strength in field hockey, football

The following Haliburton Highlands Secondary School sports briefs were compiled by Judi Paul's class.

October 22

The junior boys' soccer team was leading St. Thomas Aquinas 1-0 after the first half, but ended their playoff game with a 3-1 loss. Scoring for Haliburton was Mike Mazara. The team will advance to a wild card tournament on Tuesday.

The senior girls' basketball team held the number-one-ranked Weldon Wildcats to just 29 points, with the game ending 29-11. Outstanding defensive play came from Erica MacMartin and Katrina Chvedukas.

The junior girls' basketball team held I.E. Weldon to under 30 points. Players of the game were Jessica Rider, Tessa Iles, Megan LaPierre, and Tianna Cooper.

The senior Red Hawks football team defeated Norwood 23-0, clinching a playoff berth. Player of the game was Greg Baumgartner with 3 touchdowns.

The junior Red Hawks Football team defeated number-one-ranked Norwood by a 6-2 score.

October 20

The junior girls' field hockey team competed in a tournament, defeating St. Peter's 1-0 on a penalty stroke from Vicky Bukta and PCVS 3-0 (goals from Nicole Jennings, Kaily Schell, and Sandy Griffith).

The varsity field hockey squad lost their only game of the year but will advance to the Kawartha championships as the second seed.

The senior girls' basketball team was unable to hold off the LCVI Spartans, despite a stellar zone defence.

The junior girls' basketball team was defeated by LCVI but displayed great defensive play. Players of the game: Kirsty Cook, Tessa Iles, and Megan LaPierre.

The senior boys' soccer team lost 5-1 to I.E. Weldon. Scoring for Haliburton was Jeff Kraft.

The junior boys' soccer team lost to I.E. Weldon.

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Kernohans celebrate their 60th with community party

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

Many Guilford residents added their congratulations and best wishes to Pearl and Ivan Kernohan on their 60th wedding anniversary at the Stanhope Hall on October 24, 2009. Their euchre pals, their own family members and much of their extended family of cousins on both Cruikshanks and Kernohan sides joined happily in the festivities, were warmly welcomed by Pearl and Ivan, sampled delicious goodies and enjoyed all the meeting and greeting that such an occasion brings.

May the Kernohans enjoy many a year more of health and happiness together.

Congratulations to Ken Stevens who received a 50-year pin at the annual Legion honours and awards ceremony on October 10. Ken's generosity to Branch 129 is noted and much appreciated.

One name I missed from the high school honours on Thanksgiving weekend was that of Alyssa Abbs who attained first class honours for one year.

Our sympathy to Dianne Hagerman and family on the loss of her father, Harry Earle.

Euchre scores for October 20 are as follows: highs, Dawn Boland and Harold Ross; lows, Myra Marshall and Robert McIvor, and most lone hands, Alice Jones and Leroy Mowat. Last week's scores should have noted that it was Norma (not Norm) Geddis who had the high.

Farewell to Louise Cooper who made the actual move to Ottawa on October 21. Farewell as well to Fred and Norma Crewson who have moved from Pine Lake to Bracebridge.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

Legion only has 2 weeks to canvass with poppies

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Carla Watson
Haliburton Legion President

Friday, October 30 is the start of the 2009 poppy campaign and you will see our volunteers out canvassing.

There are only two weeks that the legion has permission to canvass to raise money for our veterans. That is why it is so important that you take the time to donate to this very worthy cause.

Our veterans deserve only the best that we can give them and the poppy campaign is a small way that every individual can give back just a little to those who gave so much.

This Remembrance Day I am so pleased to announce that the Blue Line from McKecks will be helping out the Legion by preparing our Remembrance Day dinner for us. They also will be pitching in with the poppy campaign. They do not know how much we appreciate their help and I am sure the veterans and the troops from Petawawa will also be pleased.

To everyone at McKecks – thank you, thank you, thank you.

There is a Support the Troops banner in the clubroom at the Legion and anyone that would like to show their support and sign the banner is welcome to come in. I would like to see the banner filled with signatures.

Our dinner on Remembrance Day will be on a first-come, first-serve basis as there are only 200 dinners available. Our own veterans and the troops from Petawawa are of course first. So if you plan on coming out to the dinner you need to get a hold of either myself or

the bar steward and let them know if you will be attending. The spots are filling up fast.

The cost of the dinner will be \$11, and this year it will be a roast beef dinner with all the trimmings. Can't wait. Hope to see you all.

On November 11, everyone is welcome to join us for the church service and our parade starting at 10 a.m. in the hall commencing with a lunch in the clubroom after the parade.

Anyone that would like to donate sandwiches to the lunch please get in touch with me and let me know. We appreciate any help at all.

The number at the branch is 457-2571 and I am there most days by nine a.m.

To the members who have not signed up for the poppy campaign I have a spot just waiting for you.

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This little Spark is sure having a great time.



Girl Guides from Haliburton County celebrated their 100th anniversary of Guiding on October 21.

Rain didn't douse their campfire, they just went inside because of the weather.

A fun time was had by all, because after all, the songs are the most important part.

/Photos by Sian Cox

■ GIRL GUIDES TURN 100

It's all about the songs at Girl Guide campfire

SIAN COX

Special to the Echo

This past Wednesday evening the Haliburton and Minden Guides held a campfire celebration in the Haliburton library to kick off the 100th anniversary of Guiding in Canada.

Sparks, Brownies, Guides, and Pathfinders all joined in the fun, singing a selection of favourite songs over the course of the hour-long program. These songs were being sung at the same time by Guiding groups in more 90 different locations all across Ontario.

The Guiding movement began in England in 1909 when a large number of girls showed up to a Scout-

ing rally organized by Lord Baden-Powell. Feeling the girls needed a group to call their own he enlisted his sister Agnes's help. The Guiding movement grew rapidly and by 1910 it had reached Canada. Over the years Guiding has changed in order to meet the needs and interests of today's girls and women; however, the core goal of preparing girls to meet the challenges they face in life has remained the same.

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Guiding in Canada additional celebrations will be held from coast to coast throughout 2010. The Haliburton and Minden guiding units hope to be participating in many of them. Some of the key events include an anniversary launch day at Casa Loma in Toronto, a national rally day scheduled for May 15, and the national showcase event, Guiding Mosaic 2010, to be held at the Guelph Lake Conservation area in July.

If girls are interested in joining the Minden or Haliburton Sparks (ages 5-6), Brownies (ages 7-8), Guides (ages 9-11) or Pathfinders (ages 12-14) please contact Nancy Watson at 457-1794 for more information.

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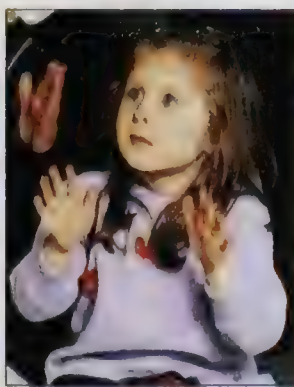
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Amanda, one of the Minden leaders, leads the girls in song.



Girl Guides are always prepared for their campfires.



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■ KATHLEEN CLARKE

Wilberforce native a master athlete

community news

wilberforce

Hilda Clark
448-2018

It's always good to hear of the achievements of young people who grew up in this area. Lee and Patricia Clarke were pleased to share news about their daughter Kathleen who earlier this month participated in the 2009 World Masters Games in Sydney, Australia.

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The Municipality is inviting tenders for the maintenance of the Evergreen Cemetery, including maintenance services for the grounds, headstones, vault and interments.

Tenders must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4th, 2009.

Tender for the Maintenance of Head Lake Park, Rotary Beach, Boardwalk from Emmerson Dam to Wallings Bridge, Sam Slick Park and Health Centre and Optional Sites

The Municipality is inviting tenders for the maintenance of the grounds of Head Lake Park, Rotary Beach Park Area, the Boardwalk from Emmerson Dam to Wallings Bridge, Sam Slick Park and the Health Centre. Also, optional sites will include Glebe Park, Harmony Park, Ball Diamond and Municipal Office Area.

Tenders must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4th, 2009.

Specifications and blank authorization and execution forms for these tenders can be obtained at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, ON, or on our website at www.dysartetal.ca.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Kathleen, who for a number of years worked with OWL Rafting on the Ottawa River and now travels widely in her work for STATSDNA, stays physically active playing on two different soccer teams in the Ottawa area.

The Masters Games – comparable to an Olympics for older people – actually dwarfs the Olympics with 25,000 participants from more than 100 countries playing 28 sports. The Masters Games have been played every four years since they began in Toronto in 1985.

Kathleen's team, the Carleton Place Tornado, played very well competing in six games over an eight-day span. They finished fifth out of 32 teams. Congratulations to Kathleen and her team on this fine achievement.

What a fun time is being planned by Joyce Bowman for her 25th annual craft sale on Saturday, November 7 at the Lloyd Watson Centre. As well as many fine items available from the vendors Joyce is preparing some new and exciting things for this, her 25th year of offering this event in the community. There will be special prizes, free draws and even a Kids' Korner. So do plan to do some pleasant early Christmas shopping from 9 to 2 that day. You can call Joyce at 705 448 2622 for more information.

Our condolences are extended to Gina Robertson and all of Ric Pringle's family and friends. People who knew Ric when he and Gina founded and operated, Moonlight Bay campground beside Wilbermere Lake, were shocked and saddened to learn of his untimely death on October 9, 2009. He will be remembered here as an outgoing person very willing to take part in community events and work to promote business in the area. John Eric Pringle was born in 1948. He is gone too soon.

A committee has begun work to prepare to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Wilberforce School. Call the school if you wish to help out in any way.



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Mary Emmerton had these backyard visitors this summer. The three bears were spotted 20 feet from her back door at her home in Carnarvon.



Who says there's no gardening to be done in the fall? Wendy Vermeersch took this shot of her garden in Haliburton.



Wendy Vermeersch captured the light coming through a spider web in Haliburton.

WILDLIFE IN YOUR BACKYARD

Even in this chilly fall weather there are creatures to be seen - from the tiny spider to the huge, hungry black bear.

Keep sending in those photos! Just because the trees are bare, doesn't mean this page has to be!

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held Monday November 16th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee.

- File No. H-087/09
Applicant: Danielle PERRY
Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 11 & 12, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Dysart
Nature of the Application: New Lot & Right-of-way
- File No. H-089/09 & H-090/09
Applicant: Robert MANHERZ
Location of the Property: Lots 12, 13 & 15, Concession 13 and Lots 11 to 15, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-091/09
Applicant: Robert MANHERZ
Location of the Property: Lot 14, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-092/09
Applicant: 970217 ONTARIO INC. "In Trust"
Location of the Property: Lots 16 to 25, Concessions 13 & 14, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-093/09 & H-094/09
Applicant: 970217 ONTARIO INC. "In Trust"
Location of the Property: Lots 21 to 23, Concessions 11 & 12 and Lots 16 to 25, Concessions 13 & 14, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-095/09
Applicant: 970217 ONTARIO INC. "In Trust"
Location of the Property: Lots 16 to 20, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-096/09
Applicant: Paul & Yvonne PILON
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 14, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

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Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 27th day of October, 2009.

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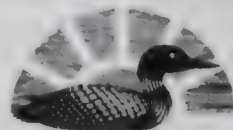


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A POETIC FAREWELL

Dear Martha Perkins

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How can you go?
Why do you do it to us
When we love you so?

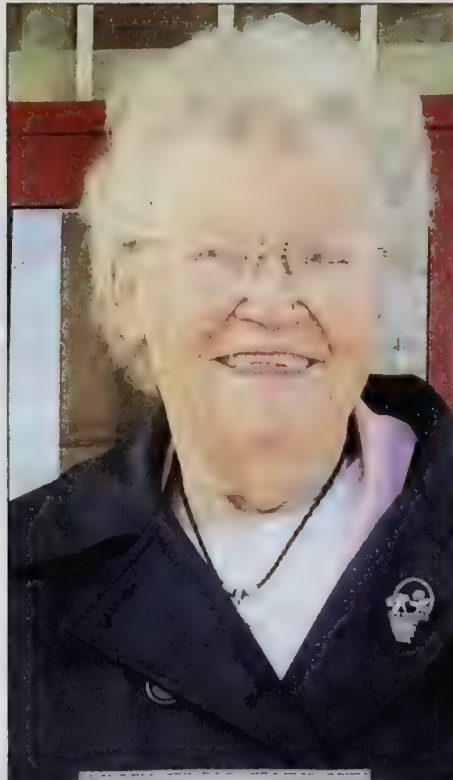
For you've always been so nice to me
Putting in the paper my poems
Making sure everyone reads them
Getting them into their homes

Yes, you've had my face in there so much

My neighbours make comment
They even suggest I pay you to do it
But I swear I never gave you a cent!

Anyway, wherever you go
We wish you all the best
And the Haliburton County Echo
Will give my face a rest!

Love and hugs
Ev Stata
Haliburton



Haliburton poet Ev Stata would like to reassure readers that she's never had to pay outgoing editor Martha Perkins for putting her poems in the paper.

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community calendar

What's happening in the County

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• **October 28: Minden OEYC Halloween Party and Potluck Lunch** - from 10:00am to 1:00pm. There will be a singing circle time, craft, games, and a spooky room and potluck lunch. Don't forget your costume! Costumes are voluntary. Please sign up by Oct. 26 at the Minden OEYC or phone 705-286-1770.

• **October 28: Haliburton OEYC Healthy Halloween Party!** - from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Join us for a spooktacular day of healthy lunch and treats, games, face painting, spooky room, craft & circle time. Come in your costume. OEYC will provide lunch but donations are appreciated to help cover cost. **Sign-up by October 22** at the Haliburton OEYC or 705-457-2989

• **October 29: Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting** - Lunch will be served at noon and meeting will be held at 1 pm.

• **October 30: Ducks Unlimited Dinner and Auction** - Join us at the Pinestone Resort. Auction preview and raffles at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm, auction to follow. Tickets still available \$60 per person. Contact Kristin Bishop - kbishop@century21granite.com or Christine Collins - ccatcottage@aol.com

• **October 30: The Haliburton County Folk Society presents Mose Scarlet, a wonderful, iconic Canadian folksinger in concert at 8 pm at the Haliburton Highlands Museum** - Local singer songwriter Albert John Saxby, who has just released a new CD, will be opening the concert. **TICKETS: \$20 / \$15** for members and students. Available at: The York Street Internet Café 705-457-8902, The Haliburton Highlands Copy Center 705-286-2110, Haliburton County Folk Society 705-754-FOLK (3655)

• **October 31: Legion #624 Costume Dance** - Prizes and \$5 cover

• **October 31: The Burnt River Church Women will be hosting their Annual Christmas Craft Sale at Burnt River Community Centre from 10 am - 3 pm** - The entrance fee is a donation to the Coboconk Food Bank. The annual Quilt will be raffled and lunch is available. Get a jump start on your Christmas Shopping and visit with old and new friends. For a table rental call 705-488-3328.

• **November 5: Play and Learn at Wilberforce Lloyd Watson Centre 9:30 am - 12:00 pm** - Parents and children under 6 years enjoy activities, crafts and musical circles. Gain tips and ideas around parenting challenges. Enjoy a healthy nutritional snack. For more information call Julie at 705-286-1770 or leave a message at 705-457-2989

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• **November 6 to November 8: Treasures at Mansfield's** - 16 Highland Gate Blvd, Minden 10 am - 4 pm.

• **November 6: Circle of Hope Hospice Kawartha Lakes** - hosting a drop-in grief support group for the newly bereaved from noon until 1:30pm at 112 McLaughlin Rd, Lindsay. Light lunch provided. For more information call 324-2811.

• **November 7: Norland Women's Institute is holding its Annual Christmas Bazaar** - with luncheon and the usual stalls from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm in the Women's Institute Hall in Norland.

• **November 13 to November 15: Treasures at Mansfield's** - 16 Highland Gate Blvd, Minden 10 am - 4 pm.

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Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

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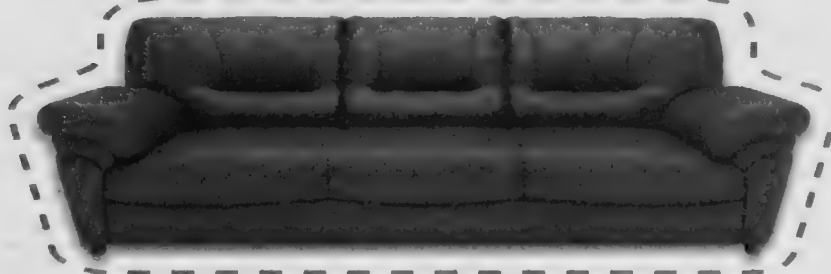
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Announcements

Deaths

EARLE, Arthur Henry (Harry) - (Veteran of WWII, Royal Air Force, Retired Employee of Ontario Hydro). Passed away peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Saturday, October 17, 2009. At the age of 87. Beloved husband of the late Viola Grace (nee Windover). Dear father of Dianne and her husband Shawn Hagerman, Ron and his wife Heather. Loving grandpa of Adam, Katharine, Abby, Diana, Lesley, Katelyn, and great grandfather of Kaley Grace Trotter. Survived by his brother George Earle of Springdale, Nfld., and predeceased by his sisters Ada, Ethel, and Jean. Fondly remembered by his close friend Jean Collier. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Tuesday from 5:00 until 8:00 pm. Then to the Minden United Church for the Funeral Service on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 11:00 am. Interment at the Minden Cemetery. Reception will follow back at the Church (downstairs). Memorial Donations to the Minden United Church or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Deaths

EZARD, Gary W. - Passed away suddenly at home in Minden on Saturday, October 10, 2009. At the age of 63. Beloved husband of Yette, dear father of Rusty, and his wife Ada, Jeff Speers and his wife Adele, and Amy Speers. Loving Grandpa and Poppa of Keelin, Dustin, Alyssa, Jaden, Connor, Hana. Predeceased by his parents, sister Dianne and son Sean. Son in law of Dick and Erma Burman. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Saturday, October 17, 2009 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. Cremation has taken place. Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (H.H.H.S.F) would be appreciated. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Card of thanks

The family of the late **Elaine Jackson** would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy and for all the wonderful food, cards and donations made in Elaine's name.

We would especially like to thank Dr. Norm Bottom and all of the nurses and staff at the Haliburton Highlands Health Services. Thank you also to Dr. Jennifer Gillis-Doyle and the all the staff in the Palliative Unit at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre.



-Bob Jackson and Family

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With sincere thanks the family of the late **Gary W. Ezard of Minden** (formally of Orangeville) wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our families, friends and neighbours for their calls, food, cards, floral tributes and donations in his memory. Special thanks to Carol & Barry Stewart, Sandy Bell, and Karen Chapman who took me under their wings and give me ongoing support. Thanks to the members of the Card Clubs, Curling Club, Golf League, Lea & Malcolm MacLean, Debbie and the Minden Legion L.A. for their ongoing support. We were unaware of the depth of their generosity and caring of everyone. Thank you also to Dr. Helt, the nurses, the OPP, PC Dan Obress, Dr Ready and of course, Monk Funeral Home for their assistance and guidance.

-Yette Ezard

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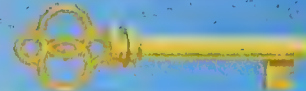


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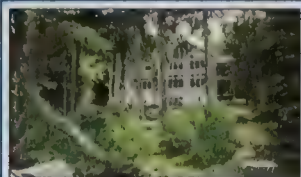
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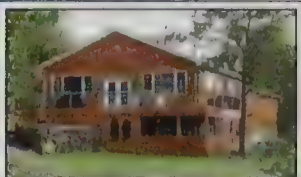
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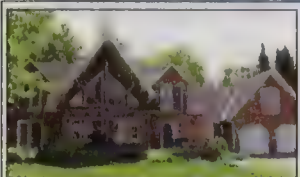
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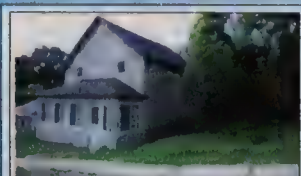
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There's been a lot of talk about "Cash for Clunkers," the \$3 billion U.S. federal scrappage program designed to stimulate the economy while taking 700,000 "clunkers" off the roads.

That program has just expired, and for Canadian motorists, purchasing a new car under the "Cash for Clunkers" program was never an option.

It should be noted that Canadians who treat their vehicles as valuable investments and commit to regular vehicle maintenance, end up saving a lot of money in the long term while still protecting the environment.

"For many Canadians, the cost of a new car is prohibitive and keeping their current vehicles running efficiently is an affordable and environmentally-sound alternative," said racecar driver and Be Car Care Aware spokesperson Kelly Williams.

According to Runzheimer International, the difference in the savings over a four-year period between keeping a car and buying a new one is more than \$10,000. Even if Canadians had a 'Cash for Clunkers' incentive, maintaining their current vehicle is the best economic option.

Here are some preventive maintenance steps to help ensure reliability and safety, and extend vehicle life

Change the oil and filter every 5,000-8,000 kilometres or per the owner's manual. Periodic oil and filter changes keep your car's engine clean on the inside.

Check the tire pressure at least monthly, including the spare. Your car's tires effect its ride, fuel economy, handling, traction and safety.

Schedule a tune-up annually to optimize your car's performance. A well-tuned engine delivers the best balance of power and fuel economy, and produces the lowest level of emissions.

Have the alignment checked at least annually. Potholes and other road conditions, as well as normal wear, can take their toll on your car's steering and suspension. A wheel alignment reduces tire wear, improves fuel economy and handling, and increases driving enjoyment and safety.

Inspect the windshield wipers and lights on the car. Lights and wipers play a major role in safe driving, and they are normal wear items that need periodic replacement.

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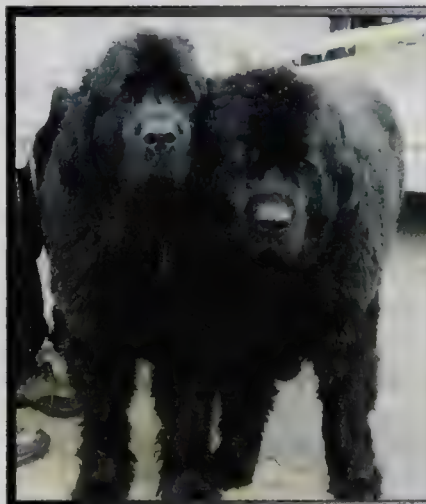
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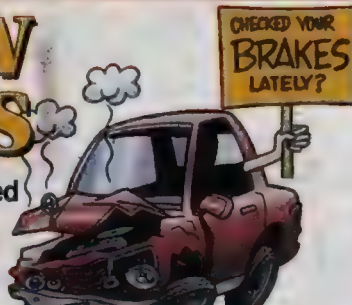
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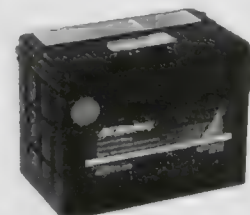


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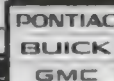
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Cold enough for you?

Most people think that if they winterize their cars in the fall, before it gets really cold, they will make it through the winter without problems. And they are mostly right. Others think that if they haven't had a problem yet, they won't have one for the rest of the winter.

Difficulty starting? A cold engine is a stiff engine -- it is hard to get the pistons moving, to draw in the fuel, and get started. So it needs more battery power. In cold weather, your battery may produce only 40 per cent of the power it produces in warm weather, so give it a break -- use a block heater. A block heater, with a timer to turn it on a couple of hours before you need your car, will make starting much easier.

Starting warm can save you money on gas, too!

Take a look at your battery terminals. Is there any white deposit on them? That corrosion can insulate the terminals and prevent the battery giving your car its first boost of power in the morning

to get it going. If your battery is getting a little elderly, you may not get a second chance.

It can take up to 40,000 volts to zap a spark into your cylinders. If the ignition wires are worn or cracked, some of that power may not make it, and you could have starting troubles -- especially in damp weather.

Another tip -- keep your gas tank at least half full. That limits any condensation in the tank, so you are less likely to get gas line freezing. Add a little gas line antifreeze every second time you fill up the gas tank just to be sure.

One of the most important things to watch is your cooling system. There are two things to watch: the concentration of coolant, and the amount. In most parts of Canada, a 50/50 mix of coolant and water keeps the coolant from freezing, lubricates the water pump, and protects the cooling system from corrosion. In very cold areas, it may be necessary to increase the concentration

of coolant -- but never more than 70 per cent coolant to 30 per cent water. But if you are like most Canadians, you are more concerned about heating than cooling at this time of year.

The only heat you get is from the engine, which is why your heater blows cold when you first start your vehicle (before the engine warms up). If your coolant is low, your heater is the first thing to suffer, so keep your antifreeze topped up. You may also hear a squealing noise (audible over your own teeth chattering) from the heater fan. That could indicate a worn bearing in the fan motor, which will probably seize up on you when you need it most.

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If you travel or commute, it is worth taking a little extra time to make sure you have an emergency kit in the trunk. Winter additions to the usual emergency kit include the following:

- good scraper & snow brush
- blanket, hats, & mittens
- matches and candles
- canned fruit/nuts/survival rations
- can opener
- tin cup
- traction mats
- small shovel
- red cloth (help signal) or a call police sign
- jumper cables

How to shop for a battery

If your car battery is dead or even weak, you're not going anywhere. It is the leading cause of starting trouble, whether because of lights left on, a charging system problem or other cause.

Sometimes it is just that the battery has outlived its usefulness. But even at best, a healthy battery in 27°C weather has only half of its output when the thermometer dips to below zero.

When shopping, remember that a battery is rated by cold cranking amps (CCA), indicating its power and the reserve capacity rating (RC), which indicates how long your car's accessories can run and still have enough power to start the engine.

Since starting a car in cold weather can take up to twice as much current to turn over a cold engine, cars in colder climates would benefit from a higher CCA rating. Check your owner's manual for the original equipment manufacturer's (OEM) minimum requirements needed for your car and select the battery adequate for you needs.

Buying one with an excessive CCA rating may be a waste of money.

In every situation, more RC (reserve) is better, like a little extra in the checking account. The size and number of plates in a battery determine how many amps it can deliver. By having more and/or large plates, you can increase the normal life of the battery. This is what distinguishes a three-year from a five-year warranty battery.

Battery manufacturers build their products to an internationally adopted Battery Council International (BCI) group number based on the physical size, terminal placement (where you connect the cables to the battery) and terminal polarity. BCI and the battery manufacturers offer application guidelines that contain the OEM cranking amperage requirements and group number replacement recommendations by make, model and year of car and battery size, CCA and RC specifications.



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Connecting jumper cables

In the world of automotive emergencies, motorists need to learn certain procedures for safety's sake.

Two of the most valuable lessons, changing a tire and hooking up jumper cables are best learned before an emergency arises, according to Car Care Canada.

The process of boosting a battery is especially important in cold weather.

Jumper cables or cables on a portable battery booster should be connected properly to avoid sparks, which can cause an explosion of the hydrogen gas emitting from a battery. Beyond this, an incorrect hook up can damage critical, and expensive, electronic components – including accessories, such as cell phones connected to your vehicle's power outlet.

The procedure is simple

Connect the positive (+) clamp to the positive terminal of the healthy battery and the other positive clamp to the corresponding terminal of the dead battery.

Next, the negative (-), or ground, terminal on the



good battery and, finally, the negative clamp to the engine block, frame or other grounded metal as far as possible from the battery. You want to avoid sparks in the vicinity of the explosive hydrogen gas that emits from the battery. Do not connect it to the ground terminal (negative).

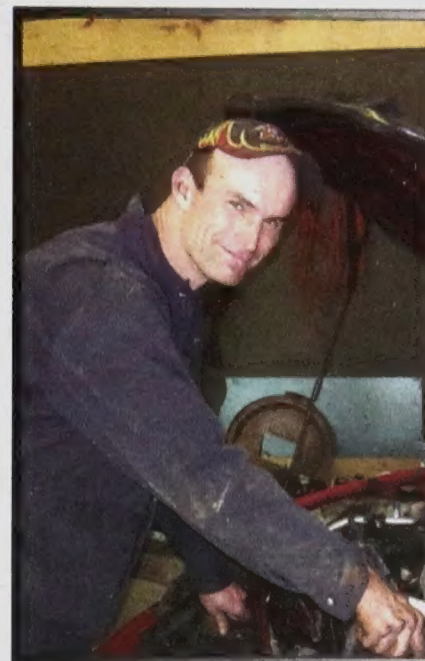
When using a portable battery booster, the process is much the same.

Connect the positive clamp of the booster cable to the positive clamp of the dead battery. Then connect the negative cable to the engine block or other grounded metal away from the battery.

Car Care Canada offers an additional suggestion: if you are buying jumper cables or a portable battery booster, buy the best quality you can afford. Look for well-insulated clamps and 8-gauge wire. (Note: the lower the wire gauge number, the heavier the gauge.) Under the heavy electrical load of boost starting, lightweight cables may not be able to deliver enough current to start some engines. In fact, they

have been known to melt in the user's hand.

If your battery is three-years old or older and you haven't had it checked, it's a good preventive measure to do so, suggests Car Care Canada. A battery's power is reduced as the temperature drops. And that's when the engine's starting demands are greatest.



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How to fight back against creeping gas prices

While gas prices are still lower than last year on average, prices at the pump have remained generally high, and in some cases are above \$1 per litre. Canadians are arming themselves with knowledge on how to fight back against creeping gas prices.

"Fuel economy is directly related to vehicle care, but when gas prices rise, many motorists hunker down and don't take proper care of their vehicles," said Kelly Williams, racecar driver and spokesperson for Car Care Canada's "Be Car Care Aware" consumer education program. "What drivers don't realize is that they can save money by simply checking the tires, air filters, spark plugs and vehicle gas caps. These items can make a significant difference in the vehicle's fuel economy and it takes very little time and money to check them."

Below are 11 easy tips to improve fuel economy, six maintenance tips and five driving tips:

Maintenance tips for fuel saving

1. Under-inflated tires can impact the vehicle's fuel economy. When tires aren't inflated properly, it's similar to driving with the parking brake on and can cost

two-to-three kilometres per litre.

2. Replace oil regularly. Dirty or substandard oil can reduce fuel economy by 4 kilometres for each 10 litres

3. Dirty air filters can also waste gas

and cause the engine to lose power. An air filter that is clogged with dirt, dust and bugs chokes off the air and creates a "rich" mixture, which is too much gas being burned for the amount of air. Replacing a clogged air filter can improve mileage by as much as 10 per cent, saving about 10 cents per litre.

4. Worn or dirty spark plugs can cause misfiring, which wastes fuel. Vehicles

can have four, six or eight spark plugs that fire as many as two million times every 1,000 kilometres, resulting in a lot of heat and electrical and chemical erosion. Spark plugs that are replaced per the owner's manual will lead to a better performing vehicle.

5. Vehicle gas caps that are damaged, loose or missing altogether waste gas. About 17 per cent of vehicles on the road have gas cap problems, causing millions of litres of gas to vaporize every year.

6. Regular vehicle maintenance improves gas mileage by an average of 4.1 per cent.

Driving tips for fuel saving

1. Observe the speed limit and use cruise control while on the highway. Gas mileage decreases rapidly above 100-kilometres-per hour.

2. Combine trips. Several short trips taken from a cold start can use twice as much fuel as a longer multi-purpose trip

covering the same distance.

3. Don't haul unneeded items. An extra 45 kilograms in the trunk reduces fuel economy by one to two per cent. An unused roof rack and accessories also add weight and drag.

4. Avoid quick starts and stops. Aggressive driving can lower your gas mileage by 33 per cent on the highway and five per cent in the city.

5. Avoid excessive idling. Idling gets zero kilometres per litre! Go inside instead of waiting in long lines at the drive-through window. Letting a vehicle warm up for one or two minutes is sufficient.

Motorists can't do much about the price of gas, but they can stop wasting gas by making sure their vehicles are getting maximum fuel economy.

Visit <http://www.carcarecanada.ca> for tips for saving gas, protecting the environment and ensuring safety, as well as in-car games for kids, meal planning and the "10-minute Road Trip Check-Up."

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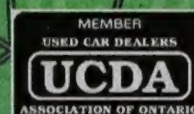
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Does your car sound haunted?

Screeches and squeals, heavy knocking, thumping and clanging

Halloween is the time of year for squeals, squeaks, screeches and things that go bump in the night, but when these eerie and haunted sounds come from your car, it's time for maintenance. Noise is to the vehicle what pain is to the body: a warning.

"Being a car owner doesn't have to be scary," said racecar driver and Car Care Canada spokesperson Kelly Williams. "These are just some of the many noises a vehicle makes when there's a problem, but whenever there's an unusual sound, it's a good idea to have the car looked at to ensure safety and reliability and to help prevent costly repairs down the road."

According to Car Care Canada, the

following strange and scary noises are clues that trouble is brewing within your car and that it should be checked out by an automotive repair technician.

Squeal

A sharp noise that usually means a problem with the brakes or the power steering, fan or air conditioning belt. The entire brake system should be checked every year, including brake linings, rotors and drums. Belts should be inspected every three months or 5,000-8,000 kilometres.

Screech

A sound typically caused by brake wear indicators that tell you it's time for maintenance. Brakes are a normal wear item for any car and eventually they're

going to need to be replaced for both performance and safety reasons.

Squeaks

A number of things can cause squeaks, including belts, the water pump or alternator bearings or a pulley. Belts should be replaced when cracked, frayed, glazed or showing signs of excessive wear. And water pumps, tensioners, idlers and alternators all have bearings that can fail and "squeak," all of which should be checked.

Bang

A backfire, which can be caused by lean air/fuel ratio, an ignition malfunction and/or a mechanical failure.

Grinding

(A metal-on-metal grating noise): A sound that is related to the brake linings. The brake system is your car's most important safety system and needed repairs should never be put off.

Heavy knock

A pounding sound that is usually connecting rod or main bearing failures which are caused by excessive wear.

Thump

A sound that usually means there's a

problem with the tires. To maximize tire life and safety, check tire condition and inflation pressure every three months or 5,000 kilometres, and have the tires rotated and balanced.

Clang

Gears will make a "clanging" noise when there is excessive "lash" (movement generally described as "play"). It's the kind of noise that accompanies one component being allowed to move because of excessive play and the abrupt halt it comes to when encountering the resistance of the part that didn't move when it was supposed to.

Metallic ticking

Also often associated with excessive play in valve train components.

These sounds need not scare you, but they should motivate you to have the car looked at because everyone should feel safe, not just on Halloween, but every night.

Courtesy of Car Care Canada's Be Car Care Aware Campaign

Replace wiper blades for safety

Are you tired of smearing, screeching and chattering wiper blades? Do you dread another rainy drive without the benefit of an unobstructed view of the road? Buy a set of wiper blades and install them yourself. It takes only a few minutes, and simple instructions are right on the box. More than 70 per cent of Canadians change the wiper blades themselves.

Before you begin, here are two suggestions:

- You can make the wiper blade more accessible by stopping it in the most

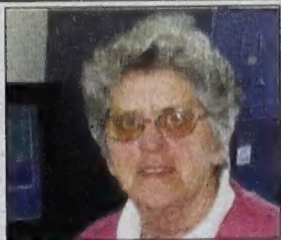
convenient location with the ignition key. Don't use the wiper on-off switch, as it causes the wipers to stop in their parked position.

- Look for replacement rubber squeegees to avoid the cost of buying the entire blade and holder. They're usually easily installed and can restore wiping action, as long as the rest of the components are OK.

The normal life expectancy of the rubber squeegee is six to 12 months. That's reason enough to learn to do it yourself.



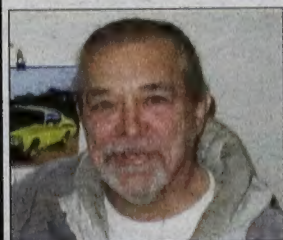
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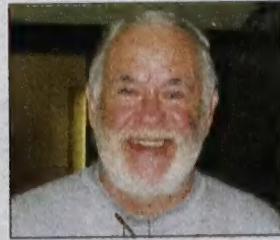
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Vehicle Myths

Myth 1: To maintain my warranty I can only have my car serviced at a dealership

Service at a dealer is not mandatory to keep your warranties in effect. Maintenance may be done by any qualified service facility or person who is skilled in automotive service. Keep all receipts as proof of completion, and have the service provider fill out the Maintenance Record.

Myth 2: Paint chips and nicks don't affect my warranty

To keep your new vehicle paint and corrosion warranty valid, have dents, scratches and collision damaged panels inspected and repaired. New cars have a minimum five-year rust perforation warranty. Unprotected panels that cause rust will not be covered by the manufacturer's warranty.

Myth 3: I can wash my vehicle with mild dish soap

More than one-third of car owners use damaging non-automotive products when washing their cars—products that could contain harmful detergents, abrasives or additives.

Myth 4: Vehicle technology today is so advanced I don't need to worry about emissions

Keep your vehicle well maintained. A poorly maintained engine can use up to 50 per cent more fuel and produce 50 per cent more CO₂ than one that runs properly.

Myth 5: Warm weather means less car worries

Cooling system neglect is cited as a principal reason

for mechanical failure of a vehicle. In addition to the danger and inconvenience of a breakdown, the damage to the engine and transmission can add up to thousands of dollars. Discovering a leaking radiator, hose connection, a sticking thermostat or other cooling system component that's on "borrowed time" can save the life of your engine.

Myth 6: I get my vehicle serviced twice/year, so I don't need a pre-trip vehicle inspection

Vehicles need to be properly maintained year round. But a pre-vacation inspection performed by a qualified automotive technician can avoid costly repairs and inconvenience.

Myth 7: The only fluids I need to worry about are oil and gas

Most people neglect the other fluids in their vehicle, these include:

- Brake
- Coolant / Anti-Freeze
- Power Steering
- Transmission
- Washer fluid

Myth 8: The service schedule is just a way for service people to make money

Your vehicle's service schedule was designed by automotive engineers, not service technicians. Maintaining your car according to the schedules given in your owner's manual helps to keep your driving trouble-free while it preserves your investment.

Myth 9: I do not drive under "severe" conditions

Most Canadians drive under "severe" conditions, but believe they drive under "normal" conditions. Severe

conditions include:

- Cold weather.
- Extensive idling or stop-and-go driving.
- Driving less than 8 kilometres per trip, or in freezing temperatures driving less than 16 kilometre per trip.
- Driving in extremely hot (over 320 C) conditions.
- Trailer towing, driving with a roof rack, or driving in mountainous conditions.
- Driving on muddy, dusty, or de-iced roads.

Myth 10: If it's not broke, don't fix it or No news is good news

Vehicles need to be serviced even when the "check engine light" isn't on. You should be following the Maintenance Schedule as outlined in your vehicle owner's manual.

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Rust: the nasty four-letter word

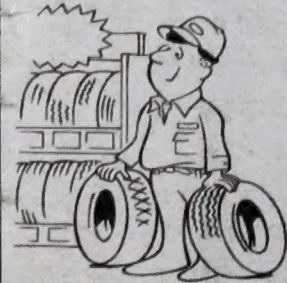
Like so many aspects of car care, preventive maintenance is much easier and beneficial than corrective measures. Maintaining the original integrity of the finish keeps the vehicle in "like new" condition.

Basic rules of body and paint maintenance apply:

- Avoid parking in the hot sun; it can damage interior surfaces as well as the exterior.
- Wash the vehicle frequently, including areas underneath, with mild, safe products.
- Select and use cleaners and waxes carefully. A cleaner that is effective for one type of finish could be disastrous for another. Consult the vehicle owner's manual to be sure.



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